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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

 Majority prices were trending lower in the Northeast, unchanged in the West and Midwest. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady in the East, mostly steady in other areas. Retail demand was light to fair and food service was fair to fairly good, best into fast food. Supplies were more than sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate. Breast items were at least adequate to available, with the exception of tenders which were well cleared. Wings were in close balance and moving well. Dark meat was mixed, but generally adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, mostly desirable weights.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 08/25/03-08/29/03 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers					
Bos/New Eng	52.00-58.00	56.67	15	61.33	45
Chicago	54.00-57.00	56.88	43	59.31	84
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	—	—	60.04	28
Denver	73.50	73.50	16	73.26	19
Detroit	56.00	57.27	11	61.17	44
Los Angeles	74.00	71.94	62	68.28	177
New York	57.00-60.00	57.64	22	59.74	49
Philadelphia	57.00-59.00	57.45	11	57.34	22
Pittsburgh	57.00-59.00	57.33	12	62.89	59
St. Louis	56.25-56.50	56.08	24	56.36	52
San Francisco	74.50	72.73	32	74.27	79
Composite Weighted Average					
Loads	08/25/03	Change/Last Wk	08/18/03	08/26/02	
658	63.31	-0.29	63.60	56.31	

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	60.00-62.00	62.03	37
Central	58.00-64.50	62.15	73
West	58.00-72.00	67.24	48
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	67.50-69.00	68.45	81

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 68.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,155	54.00-70.50	66.79

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	206.50	1,465
BREASTS - B/S	207.00	5,340
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.00	1,958
THIGH MEAT - B/S	80.00	998
LEG QUARTERS	32.00	9,256
WINGS	76.50	3,050

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light and selective entering the week. Offerings of the 2.5 pound birds were adequate to balanced at times. The 3 pound and heavier weights were at least sufficient with the heaviest birds in the longest position. Retail and distributive movement was no better than steady on the larger sizes. In the parts

complex, boneless-skinless breasts remained available. Bone-in breasts were at least sufficient. Dark meat cuts were adequate. Wings and tenderloins were clearing well.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady. Retail demand following the weekend was light to fair with few features; food service was fair to moderate, best for fast food outlets with improvements noted for the upcoming holiday weekend. Supplies were usually sufficient for current trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was fair. Breast items were adequate to at least adequate with tenders in the best balance. Wings were clearing satisfactorily and dark meat was also moving well with supplies no more than adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices unchanged from last Monday. Trading reported for this week's deliveries at mainly unchanged to somewhat higher prices. Buyers' interest improved to cover upcoming Labor Day needs. Offerings easily adequate. Retailer demand was fairly good to good. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The market tone on parts was firm on wings, leg meat, drumsticks, leg quarters, and steady to barely steady on breasts. Trading reported on parts: leg quarters bulk 29.5-32.5 and 4/10s 32.5-36, breast bone-in 89-99 and boneless 176-181, drumstick high 36-48, leg meat mainly 72 and wing 75-77. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up .03 to 60.86 from last week with the volume reported at 33 loads unchanged.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority delivered prices this week were generally unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were in balance. Retail and food service demand was mostly light to moderate, occasionally fairly good into fast food outlets. Floor stocks were adequate. Weights desirable. Supplies of boneless/skinless breasts remain plentiful and discounted, whole breasts sufficient, wings and tenders in close balance, and dark meat cuts adequate on a light call. The market tone was firm on wings and tenders, cautiously steady to weak on breast items and steady on other parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally no better than fair. Seller offerings were at least adequate and were more readily available on the 3.00 and 3.50 pound sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged 57 to 67 cents. Trade sentiment was steady at best. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts were fully adequate. Bone-in breasts were readily available. Leg cuts were in generally good balance. Wings and tenders cleared well.

***BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.**

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	55-68
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	59.44
NO. OF BOXES	7,630

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market. Offerings of boneless-skinless breasts remained available at discounted levels. Bone-in breasts were at least sufficient. Dark meat cuts were generally adequate. Tenderloins and wings were clearing well. Movement through retail and distributive channels was no better than fair, with best movement centering around refill activity. The market tone was barely steady on boneless-skinless breasts and about steady on the balance.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	175-180	181.29	402,880
TENDERLOINS	145-150	152.18	67,540
BREAST - WITH RIBS	86-87	89.12	213,760
BREAST - LINE RUN	86	86.27	114,080
LEGS	37-38	37.05	310,040
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	27-28	29.17	271,186
DRUMSTICKS	33-34	39.40	98,960
THIGHS	26-27	40.01	63,650
B/S THIGHS	69-70	73.49	61,100
WINGS (WHOLE)	68-69	64.44	239,240
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.97	27,440
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	25-30	31.59	9,960
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35-40	43.25	16,160

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,341	161.00-192.00	169-174	171.21
TENDERLOINS	141	142.00-205.00	142-145	156.53
BREAST - WITH RIBS	281	75.00-103.00	80-83	82.44
FRONT HALVES	176	74.00-79.00	75-76	75.37
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	818	23.00-27.00	26	25.92
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,386	26.00-29.00	27-28	27.43
WINGS (WHOLE)	132	61.00-78.00	61-69	66.83
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,240	19.00-24.00	19	19.32

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	08/25	08/21	08/21	08/18	08/14
ALA	4,181	3,837	5.13	4,039	5.08
ARK	5,366	5,190	4.79	5,251	4.89
DELMARVA	2,350	2,294	5.30	2,223	5.35
KY-LA-TN	1,982	1,967	4.85	1,966	4.81
MISS	3,082	2,989	5.14	3,019	5.30
NC	2,523	2,562	6.01	2,596	5.78
TEXAS	2,462	2,480	4.94	2,413	4.95
TOTAL	21,946	21,319	5.12	21,507	5.13
MON	21,946(A)			21,507(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 25-Aug 2003 is estimated to be 32,834,000 up 1.74 percent from a week ago and up 2.91 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,273,000 last year 31,907,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	882	167.00-240.00	169-172	172.28
TENDERLOINS	215	147.00-216.00	147-155	159.44
BREAST - LINE RUN	88	92.00-112.00	92-95	96.08
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	103	32.00-50.00	32-33	34.17
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	625	25.00-29.00	26-27	26.49
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,250	28.00-32.00	29-31	29.52
WINGS (WHOLE)	102	70.00-81.00	-	73.54
WINGS (CUT)	439	80.00-89.00	82-86	83.61
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	80	77.00-88.00	-	79.75

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR AUGUST 25, 2003 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
53.50 - 57.00	55.00	55.96

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF AUG 25-AUG 29, 2003

CENTS PER POUND	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	174.00 - 191.00	174.00 - 184.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	87.00 - 101.00	87.00 - 96.00
LEGS	28.00 - 43.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	25.00 - 33.00	27.00 - 29.00
DRUMSTICKS	30.00 - 45.00	-
THIGHS	27.00 - 39.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	62.00 - 80.00	66.00 - 71.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 41.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	39.00 - 48.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	86
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	89-93

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP
FROZEN DUCKS
FROZEN SQUABS 600-625

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	92-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-95

HENS UNDER 5#
HENS OVER 5# 63

DUCKS
RABBITS-WHOLE
RABBITS-CUT UP

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 107-109
	ICE PACK 100-103
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 113
	ICE PACK 104-105
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 91-98
	DRY PACK -
DUCKS	155-166

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

22-AUG-2003

CHICKEN — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.25-19.50	-	784,000	784,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.15			
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-17.50	11.00-17.00	1,884,000	364,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.07	12.71		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	11.00	42,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		11.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair for the at least adequate to fully adequate offerings. Finished product supplies were about adequate to adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Processing schedules were normal. The undertone was mostly steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER

THE WEEK OF 25-AUG-03.	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-9.25	8.25-8.5	8.38
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

22-AUG-2003

CHICKEN — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	13.00-18.00	60,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		16.36		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.00-20.00	10.25-17.00	2,060,200	722,400
WTD AVERAGE	17.50	13.26		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings from producers. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 25-AUG-03

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-11.5	8-8.75	8.56

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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